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	*	RE 37,110E	03/27/2001	Hollister	206	365	
	*	RE 37,252E	07/03/20012	Hollister	206	364	
	*	1,779,451	10/28/1930	C. Sponsel	-	-	
	*	2,559,474	07/03/1951	A.J. Son	128	215	
	*	2,700,385	01/25/1955	M. Ortiz	128	215	
	*	2,836,942	06/03/1958	J.J. Miskel	53	25	
	*	2,854,976	10/07/1958	S.E. Heydrich	128	221	
	*	2,953,243	09/20/1960	Z.M. Roehr	206	43	
	*	3,021,942	02/20/1962	D.A. Hamilton	206	43	
	*	3,073,307	01/15/1963	P.A. Stevens	128	221	
	*	3,074,542	01/22/1963	S. Myerson et al.	206	43	
	*	3,255,873	06/14/1966	I.A. Speelman	206	56	
(S.W.)	*	3,294,231	12/27/1966	R.C. Vanderbeck	206	63	
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(S.W.)		EP 0 144 483 A2	06/19/1985	EPO	A61M	5/00	N
	*	EP 0 344 606 A2	12/06/1989	EPO			
	*	EP 0 457 477 B1	11/21/1991	EPO			
(S.W.)	*	EP 0 485 345 B1	05/13/1992	EPO			
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dsu.		3,323,523	06/06/1967	H.M. Scislowicz et al.	128	214	
		3,329,146	07/04/1967	L.F. Waldman, Jr.	128	221	
		3,333,682	08/01/1967	G.K. Burke	206	43	
		3,367,488	02/06/1968	D.A. Hamilton	206	63	
		3,485,239	12/23/1969	R.C. Vanderbeck	128	218	
		3,537,452	11/03/1970	G.W. Wilks	128	214	
		3,587,575	06/28/1971	E.S. Lichtenstein	128	215	
		3,610,240	10/05/1971	A. Harautuneian	128	214	
		3,645,835	02/1972	Hodgson, Martin E.	428	195.1	
		3,658,061	04/25/1972	J.P. Hall	128	214	
		3,828,775	08/13/1974	Armel	128	218	
		3,840,008	10/08/1974	Noiles	128	221	
		3,890,971	06/24/1975	Leeson et al.	128	218	
		3,904,033	09/09/1975	Haerr	206	349	
dsu.		3,918,446	11/1975	Buttaravoli, Philip M.	604	180	
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dsu.	*	EP 0 533 308 A1	03/24/1993	EPO			
	*	EP 0 585 391 B1	03/09/1994	EPO			
	*	EP 0 597 857 B1	05/25/1994	EPO			
dsu.	*	EP 0 603 365 B1	06/29/1994	EPO			
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(gwn.)		3,934,722	01/27/1976	Goldberg	206	365	
		3,968,876	07/13/1976	Brookfield	206	365	
		4,040,419	08/09/1977	Goldman	128	215	
		4,106,621	08/15/1978	Sorenson	206	365	
		4,113,090	09/12/1978	Carstens	206	365	
		4,139,009	02/13/1979	Alvarez	128	218	
		4,175,008	11/20/1979	White	435	295	
		4,270,536	06/02/1981	Lemelson	128	218	
		4,300,678	11/17/1981	Gyure et al.	206	364	
		4,375,849	03/08/1983	Hanifl	206	366	
		4,430,082	02/07/1984	Schwabacher	604	263	
		4,592,744	06/03/1986	Jagger et al.	604	192	
		4,634,428	01/06/1987	Cuu	604	110	
		4,643,722	02/17/1987	Smith, Jr.	604	192	
(gwn.)		4,659,330	04/21/1987	Nelson et al.	604	192	
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(gwn.)	*	EP 0 626 924 B1	12/07/1994	EPO			
	*	EP 0 654 281 B1	05/24/1995	EPO			
	*	EP 0 705 613 B1	04/10/1996	EPO			
(gwn.)	*	EP 0 713 710 A1	29/05/1996	EPO	A61M	5/32	Y
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dsw.		4,664,259	05/12/1987	Landis	206	365	
		4,664,654	05/12/1987	Strauss	604	198	
		4,681,567	07/21/1987	Masters et al.	604	198	
		4,695,274	09/22/1987	Fox	604	198	
		4,702,738	10/27/1987	Spencer	604	198	
		4,723,943	02/09/1988	Spencer	604	198	
		4,728,320	03/01/1988	Chen	604	110	
		4,728,321	03/01/1988	Chen	604	110	
		4,731,059	03/15/1988	Wanderer et al.	604	192	
		4,735,311	04/05/1988	Lowe et al.	206	365	
		4,735,618	04/05/1988	Hagen	604	192	
		4,737,144	04/12/1988	Choksi	604	198	
		4,738,663	04/19/1988	Bogan	604	198	
dsw.		4,743,233	05/10/1988	Schneider	604	192	
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	*	EP 0 815 888 A2	01/07/1998	EPO			
	*	EP 0 815 890 A2	01/07/1998	EPO			
dsw.	*	EP 0 819 441 A1	01/21/1998	EPO			
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dgn.		4,747,836	05/31/1988	Luther	604	198	
		4,747,837	05/31/1988	Hauck	604	198	
		4,772,272	09/20/1988	McFarland	604	198	
		4,778,453	10/18/1988	Lopez	604	110	
		4,781,697	11/01/1988	Slaughter	604	192	
		4,782,841	11/08/1988	Lopez	128	164	
		4,790,828	12/13/1988	Dombrowski et al.	604	198	
		4,795,432	01/03/1989	Karczmer	604	110	
		4,795,443	01/03/1989	Permenter et al.	604	198	
		4,801,295	01/31/1989	Spencer	604	198	
		4,804,372	02/14/1989	Laico et al.	604	198	
		4,813,426	03/21/1989	Haber et al.	128	763	
		4,816,022	03/28/1989	Poncy	604	198	
dgn.		4,816,024	03/28/1989	Sitar et al.	604	192	
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dgn.	*	EP 0 832 659 A2	04/01/1998	EPO			
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		EP 1 092 443 A2	04/18/2001	EPO	A61M	5/32	Y
dgn.	*	EP 1 116 493 A1	18/07/2001	EPO	A61M	25/06	N
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		4,820,277	04/11/1989	Norelli	604	192	
		4,826,490	05/02/1989	Byrne et al.	604	198	
		4,826,491	05/02/1989	Schramm	604	198	
		4,838,871	06/13/1989	Luther	604	192	
		4,840,619	06/20/1989	Hughes	604	187	
		4,842,587	06/27/1989	Poncy	604	198	
		4,846,796	07/11/1989	Carrell et al.	604	110	
		4,846,811	07/11/1989	Vanderhoof	604	263	
		4,850,968	07/25/1989	Romano	604	110	
		4,850,976	07/25/1989	Heinrich et al.	604	192	
		4,850,977	07/25/1989	Bayless	604	198	
		4,850,978	07/25/1989	Dudar et al.	604	201	
CBW.		4,850,994	07/25/1989	Zerbst et al.	604	198	
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CBW.		GB 1 233 302	05/26/1971	Great Britain	A61b	17/06	Y
	*	GB 2 283 429 A	05/10/1995	Great Britain			
	*	GB 2 369 779	12/06/2002	Great Britain	A61M	5/32	Y
CBW.	*	JP 10-76007	03/24/1998	Japan			
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den.		4,850,996	07/25/1989	Cree	604	198	
		4,858,607	08/22/1989	Jordan et al.	128	314	
		4,863,434	09/05/1989	Bayless	604	198	
		4,863,435	09/05/1989	Sturman et al.	604	198	
		4,863,436	09/05/1989	Glick	604	198	
		4,867,172	09/19/1989	Haber et al.	128	763	
		4,867,746	09/19/1989	Dufresne	604	192	
		4,872,552	10/10/1989	Unger	206	365	
		4,874,382	10/17/1989	Lindemann et al.	604	195	
		4,874,383	10/17/1989	McNaughton	604	198	
		4,874,384	10/17/1989	Nunez	604	198	
		4,883,469	11/28/1989	Glazier	604	192	
		4,886,503	12/12/1989	Miller	604	192	
den.		4,887,998	12/19/1989	Martin et al.	604	110	
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den.	*	JP 10-127765	05/19/1998	Japan			
	*	WO 00/38765	06/07/00	PCT	A61M	5/178	Y
den.	*	WO 87/07162	12/03/1987	PCT			
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den.		4,888,001	12/19/1989	Schoenberg	604	162	
		4,892,107	01/09/1990	Haber	128	763	
		4,892,521	01/09/1990	Laico et al.	604	192	
		4,898,589	02/06/1990	Dolgin et al.	604	198	
		4,900,309	02/13/1990	Netherton et al.	604	192	
		4,904,244	02/27/1990	Harsh et al.	604	187	
		4,911,694	03/27/1990	Dolan	604	198	
		4,911,706	03/27/1990	Levitt	604	198	
		4,927,018	05/22/1990	Yang et al.	206	365	
		4,929,241	05/29/1990	Kulli	604	263	
		4,935,012	06/19/1990	Magre et al.	604	192	
		4,935,013	06/19/1990	Haber et al.	604	192	
		4,936,830	06/26/1990	Verlier	604	110	
den.		4,944,397	07/31/1990	Miller	206	365	
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	*	WO 93/17732	16/09/93	PCT	A61M	3/00	Y
	*	WO 94/19036	09/01/1994	PCT			
den.	*	WO 97/31666	04/09/1997	PCT	A61M	5/00	Y
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den.		4,944,731	07/31/1990	Cole	604	192	
		4,950,249	08/21/1990	Jagger et al.	604	192	
		4,950,250	08/21/1990	Haber et al.	604	192	
		4,966,589	10/30/1990	Kaufman	604	174	
		4,978,344	12/18/1990	Dombrowski et al.	604	198	
		4,982,842	01/08/1991	Hollister	206	365	
		4,985,021	01/15/1991	Straw et al.	604	198	
		4,994,041	02/19/1991	Dombrowski et al.	604	164	
		4,966,589	10/30/1990	Kaufman	604	174	
		5,000,744	03/19/1991	Hoffman et al.	604	232	
		5,015,240	05/14/1991	Soproni et al.	604	192	
		5,057,089	10/15/1991	Greco	604	198	
		5,059,180	10/22/1991	McLees	604	110	
		5,092,851	03/03/1992	Ragner	604	192	
		5,108,379	04/28/1992	Dolgin et al.	604	198	
den.		5,135,509	08/04/1992	Olliffee	604	192	
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	*	WO 98/10816	03/19/1998	PCT			
	*	WO 98/11928	03/26/1998	PCT			
den.	*	WO 98/13081	04/02/1998	PCT			
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		5,154,285	10/13/1992	Hollister	206	365	
		5,176,655	01/05/1993	McCormick et al.	604	198	
		5,176,656	01/05/1993	Bayless	604	198	
		5,193,552	03/16/1993	Columbus et al.	128	760	
		5,195,983	03/23/1993	Boese	604	192	
		5,209,739	05/11/1993	Talalay	604	195	
		5,232,454	08/03/1993	Hollister	604	192	
		5,232,455	08/03/1993	Hollister	604	192	
		5,242,417	09/07/1993	Paudler	604	192	
		5,242,418	09/07/1993	Weinstein	604	192	
		5,246,427	09/21/1993	Sturman et al.	604	192	
12W.		5,246,428	09/21/1993	Falknor	604	198	
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	*	WO 01/32244 A1	05/10/2001	PCT			Y
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		5,254,099	10/19/1993	Kuracina et al.	604	198	
		5,256,152	10/26/1993	Marks	604	198	
		5,256,153	10/26/1993	Hake	604	198	
		5,277,311	01/11/1994	Hollister	206	365	
		5,290,255	03/01/1994	Vallelunga et al.	604	197	
		5,304,137	04/19/1994	Fluke	604	110	
		5,312,369	05/17/1994	Arcusin et al.	604	192	
		5,334,158	08/02/1994	McLees	604	110	
		5,348,544	09/20/1994	Sweeney et al.	604	192	
		5,356,392	10/18/1994	Firth et al.	604	198	
		5,372,589	12/1994	Davis, Gordon	604	180	
		5,403,283	04/04/1995	Luther	604	164	
		5,403,286	04/04/1995	Lockwood, Jr.	604	110	
	<i>den.</i>		5,407,436	04/18/1995	Toft et al.	604	195
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	5,425,720	06/20/1995	Rogalsky et al.	604	198		
	5,447,501	09/05/1995	Karlsson et al.	604	198		
	5,466,223	11/14/1995	Bressler et al.	604	110		
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	5,487,733	01/30/1996	Caizza et al.	604	110		
	5,487,734	01/30/1996	Thorne et al.	604	195		
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	5,533,980	07/09/1996	Sweeney et al.	604	192		
	5,538,508	07/23/1996	Steyn	604	192		
	5,542,927	08/06/1996	Thorne et al.	604	110		
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den.	5,536,240	07/16/1996	Edwards et al.	604	22		
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